



SCHOOL WORK: Mrs. Donald Adkins and Mrs. Scotty Taylor were two of the mothers who contributed their time to clean up Benton Harbor junior high school after weekend attack by vandals. The malicious mischief kept children out of classes Monday, so Mrs. Adkins and Mrs. Taylor went to school to help wipe up the mess.

Vandalism At Second BH School

Mothers Help Clean Up At Junior High

More vandalism was discovered in a Benton Harbor school this morning as police found an outside water tap running and several broken windows at the Henry C. Morton annex, Territorial road.

The faucet in an outside stairwell was turned off before serious damage resulted. Custodians mopped up the water that had dripped into the basement before classes started. The Morton annex in the former Grace Lutheran church at Territorial road and Forest avenue houses seventh grade and special education classes.

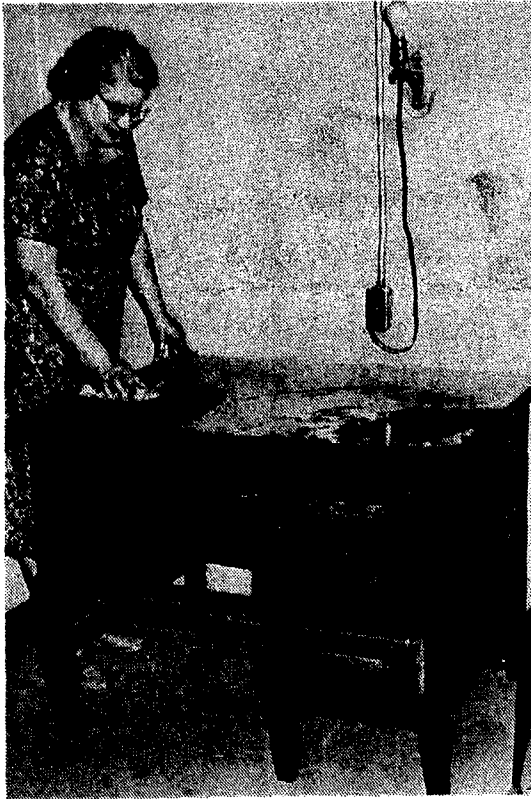
Meanwhile, Benton Harbor junior high students returned to classes today after the Broadway school was closed Monday because of a weekend attack by vandals. A group of mothers turned out to help custodians clean up the mess that resulted from the discharge of fire extinguishers and turning on a hose sometime Sunday night.

WANT SCHOOL OPEN

"We just want our children to be able to get to school again as soon as possible," Mrs. Donald Adkins, of 672 Columbus avenue, said yesterday as she slid a wash rag over a desk caked with chalky sodium residue.

Mrs. Adkins was echoing the sentiments of several mothers who had donated time to help clean up Benton Harbor junior high school after the latest incident of vandalism shut down classes there yesterday.

However, principal Winston Ferris said that school would be



REMOVING THE RESIDUE: Mrs. Donald Preston wipes off sodium residue left from fire extinguisher sprayed by vandals at Benton Harbor junior high. A corps of mothers turned out to help get school in shape for reopening today. (Staff photos)

open today.

Sunday night a fire hose on the building's third floor was left running in the hall for several hours. When maintenance man Larry LaVanway entered the building Monday morning, water had seeped through to the second and first floors.

He reported that water was two inches deep in sections of the cafeteria and three inches deep on the first floor gym. Other damage included broken windows, and damaged

office machinery. The emptying of fire extinguishers was responsible for the sodium residue on chairs and desks.

DAMAGE COSTS \$500

Edward Troffer, director of the school system's buildings and grounds, estimated that "not including water damage" the vandalism cost the system about \$500.

He said that ceilings and floors would have to dry before an accurate estimate can be made.

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Student Wants To Be Prexy

He'd Have MSU Office In Tavern

By JACQUELINE KORONA
Associated Press Writer
EAST LANSING (AP) — After six years at Michigan State University, Louie Bender has made it through his junior year as an undergraduate.

Now he wants to become president of the school.

Four years ago, Bender tidied up his fraternity house as a "first floor bathroom monitor." In his campaign for the presidency, he promises to tidy up the campus by moving executive offices to the local student tavern, and arming campus police with toy burp guns and paper caps.

Bender, a 24-year-old "naturalized East Lansing citizen, emigrated from Fenton," summoned the press to the tavern, his campaign headquarters, Monday to reveal his grab at the office.

MSU authorities now are searching for a permanent replacement for Dr. John A. Hannah, who resigned after 26 years as president to become director of the U.S. Agency for International Development.

HE'S "BIG MAN"

The droopy-mustached youth, who claims a "groundswell" of student support, boasts of being a "big man around campus."

"He has been there six years and is already a junior," proclaims his campaign literature. (Two of those years were spent in the armed forces, where Bender served in the United States and Vietnam.)

Bender claims support from the MSU student governing body, the Inter-Fraternity Council, off-campus Council and Men's Hall Association.

In addition, he says Don Stevens, chairman of the MSU Board of Trustees which ultimately selects the new president, "likes me."

"He used to come into the gasoline station where I worked a couple of summers ago and got to know me then."

Surrounded by Bender bodyguards, Bender buttons, Bender posters and publicity pictures posed with acting MSU President Walter Adams, the youthful candidate outlined things he plans to accomplish as head of the nearly 40,000-student university.

OUTLINES IDEALS

He said he'd:

—Replace the campus water supply with beer "which will have been treated with birth control solution."

—Replace all the grass with "Grass" and put up "keep on the Grass" signs.

—Remove a statue of "Spartan," the symbol of MSU, and "bronze Biggie Munn," the

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'ME FOR PRESIDENT': Louie Bender, 24, left, a Michigan State University junior after only six years, wants to be the new president at MSU. Here, he tells Acting President Walter Adams of his decision. Bender, a member of the honorary fraternity Excalibur, outlined plans Monday to arm campus police with toy burp guns and paper caps. The MSU Board of Trustees now is seeking a permanent successor to Dr. John A. Hannah, who resigned to take over as director of the U.S. Agency for International Development. (AP Wirephoto)

Post Office Unwanted By Nixon In Cabinet

By WILLIAM C. BARTON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Nixon asked Congress today for legislation to convert the Post Office Department into a government-owned, self-sustaining service removed from Cabinet status.

"Traditions die hard and traditional institutions are difficult to abandon," Nixon declared. "But tradition is no substitute for performance, and if our postal system is to meet the expanding needs of the 1970s, we must act now."

The President's proposal was largely based on recommendations submitted by Frederick R. Kappel, head of former President Lyndon B. Johnson's Commission on Postal Organization. Nixon said his reform, besides removing the post office from

the Cabinet, calls for several sweeping changes including: —Creation of an independent postal service wholly owned by

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the federal government and administered by a nine-member board of directors.

—New and extensive collective bargaining rights for postal employees.

—Bond financing for major capital improvements, similar to the funding arrangement now held by the Tennessee Valley Authority.

—Establishment of a commission of experts to propose changes in mail classifications and postage rates, subject to review by the seven presidentially appointed members of the nine-member board.

Much of what the President recommended was leaked by congressional sources last week.

Postmaster General Winton M. Blount held a White House briefing today on the plans.

No Frills Allowed In Budget

Scholarships Are Denied Troublemakers

From Associated Press

LANSING — State Senator Charles Zollar's powerful purse-string committee took action Monday that tells Michigan colleges they must:

• Make more economical use of their facilities and teaching staffs.

• Discipline troublemakers.

• Get along without any expensive extras in the upcoming fiscal year.

The Senate Appropriations Committee Monday reported a \$249.1 million higher education budget and several reasons why that sum, \$5.1 million below Gov. William G. Milliken's budget recommendation, seemed adequate.

"We're not shutting any of 'em down," said Senate appropriations chairman Charles O. Zollar, R-Benton Harbor, but added the proposal, even though \$22.5 million more than last year's figure, wouldn't leave much for new programs unless colleges look elsewhere for help.

Sen. Zollar said written into the new appropriations bill is a provision which disallows a state scholarship or grant to any student found guilty under due process of law of breaking the laws of the State of Michigan or the regulations of the college. "It is hopeful that this will be another tool that the authorities at the colleges and universities can use to take care of dissidents and militants," he said.

Michigan State University, among the state's major universities, received the largest increase: \$54 million for the East Lansing campus alone, \$5.1 million more than this year's allocation.

Other funds go to MSU for operation of Oakland University at Rochester and the Agriculture Extension Service. Milliken recommended \$70.1 million in all for MSU.

Increased student enrollments and termination of the sliding tuition scale were reasons to increase MSU's allocation, Zollar said.

The University of Michigan, recipient of the largest amount — \$65.3 million — still suffered a \$2-million cutback from the governor's recommendation.

Zollar said Michigan, with a \$1.5 million appropriation surplus left over this year, and a low, 13-1 student-to-teacher ratio, appeared less in need than many other schools.

Detroit's Wayne State University, third largest in the state, was allocated \$41.6 million, only \$700,000 under Milliken's recommendation.

The Senate committee's decision to trim state higher education expenditures was influenced by three observations, Zollar said.

1. Colleges around the state, in Zollar's view, are "overbuilt." He said 63 per cent of classrooms, laboratories and auditoriums are unused much of the time, that administrators schedule only some 35 hours of use each week.

"We think they ought to figure on 60 hours a week," said Zollar.

2. Many faculty members don't teach classes. The committee has no accurate estimate of classroom teachers, "but we do know there are many faculty who don't teach at all," Zollar said. "They have their own policies on teachers. There are many millions of dollars — not state appropriated — that they use faculty for."

3. Unexpended funds left from previous state appropriations. The University of Michigan alone, Zollar said, still has not spent an estimated \$1.49 million. Other colleges in the state "all had some, but it wasn't much," Zollar said.

"MSU was pretty smart," he added, "they got theirs spent."

A few college construction projects received additional aid under the capital outlay bid.

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Problems May Delay Takeoff Of Apollo 11

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — The Apollo 10 astronauts fly back to this space command post today for reunions with their families and reports to experts on all aspects of their flight around the moon.

They took off by plane from Pago Pago in the Pacific Monday night for the 12-hour flight to Houston's Ellington Air Force Base.

What the astronauts report will determine when the Apollo 11 astronauts leave on a moon-landing mission. The blastoff for that voyage is scheduled at Cape Kennedy July 16, but space agency officials said

Apollo 10 raised a few questions that could delay it a month or two.

The cone-shaped command capsule carrying Air Force Col. Thomas P. Stafford and Navy Cmdrs. John W. Young and Eugene A. Cernan parachuted into the Pacific Monday, climaxing eight days in space that one space agency official said had "given us the confidence to make the next bold step."

Dr. Thomas O. Paine, administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, said, "The real goal (of the space program) is to develop and demonstrate the capability

for interplanetary travel.

RIGHT ON TARGET

Apollo 10 landed less than three miles from the main recovery ship, the carrier Princeton. Television cameras relayed the scene live to the United States and Europe.

Splashdown was at 12:52 p.m. EDT. In one of the fastest recoveries in the U.S. space program, a helicopter deposited the astronauts on the deck of the carrier 39 minutes later.

The astronauts, who became the first men to shave in space the day before, seemed elated as they stepped onto a red carpet rolled across the deck. They

danced exuberant little jigs as they headed for sick bay and medical examination.

Doctors reported they were in excellent physical condition.

President Nixon, by radiotelephone from Washington, told them, "This is a proud moment for the country." He invited the trio and their families to the White House for dinner at a date to be set later. Vice President Spiro T. Agnew also telephoned congratulations.

After nearly six hours on the carrier they flew by helicopter to a warm welcome at Pago

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ELATED SPACE EXPLORERS: Apollo 10 astronauts, from left, Col. Thomas P. Stafford, Cmdr. John W. Young and Cmdr. Eugene A. Cernan speak to the crew of the USS Princeton after coming aboard ship from their space capsule Monday. (AP Wirephoto)

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Editorial Page

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Post Office Battle

Resumes

The Nixon Administration takes up the cudgels again, predictably in this week, in a battle which two predecessors have lost.

This is finding the means to make the Post Office work better than it is.

Twenty years ago, when Harry Truman was President, the Hoover Commission recommended the Post Office be taken out of politics.

In 1967 Larry O'Brien, the Postmaster General briefly and a Democratic campaign strategist full time, urged the creation of a federal corporation to handle the mails.

A special commission appointed by Lyndon Johnson followed up with a similar recommendation in the ensuing year.

LBJ forwarded the commission's findings to Congress, but as an outgoing President in a campaign year raised no issue on a perennially sticky problem.

Nixon as a Republican Chief Executive now steps toward a breach which two Democratic Presidents recognized but could not leap.

The Department's difficulties are an old hat story, varying only from year to year in their cumulative effect.

The year in which O'Brien, a most skillful politician admitted he could not cope with a political problem, the Post Office racked up a \$1.2 billion deficit.

Last year, following massive rate increases, it is estimated the deficit will still run half as much. This forecast can not be verified until the government completes its audit for the 1968-69 fiscal year.

Despite a certain amount of automation and the employment of faster delivery methods, the Department is not keeping up the rising demands placed upon it.

Every critic of the system agrees on one point. Unless the system is revised drastically or preferably a substitute found for it, collapse is a fast approaching fact.

O'Brien and Nixon's Postmaster General, Winton Blount, are in complete partisan agreement to create a government corporation and to remove the Department from the Cabinet.

They advocate a plan somewhat similar to the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Congress established the TVA in the early New Deal days as a specially chartered organization to supply cheap electricity to the drainage area of the Tennessee river.

Although private power advocates note the TVA does business tax free, it is a fact that the TVA is a solvent operation. Long ago it paid back to the Treasury the seed money appropriated to found it and finances today's improvements from earnings.

Unlike the PO, the TVA does

not require an annual monetary shot in the arm to keep going.

The reason for this success is almost entirely in the management of the two systems.

TVA has a board of directors through Presidential appointment. The directors hire the professional managers, set rates and perform all the other duties common to management in private business.

The comparison to the PO is the difference between success and failure.

The President names the upper management in the PO and that's as far as the analogy to business-like procedure goes.

Congress, for practical purposes, runs the business from day to day.

It sets the postal rates, determines the pay schedules, decides equipment and delivery methods, and determines where and when a post office shall be located.

The fact of a local postmaster becoming a Civil Service employee once he receives his appointment means nothing. His job may not change occupants as White House tenants do, as was the method until some 30 years ago, but neither he nor his superiors on up to the Postmaster General are masters in the house which is created for them.

Congress has steadfastly resisted surrendering this control over the Department even though a desperate public some time ago said the time has arrived to change things which Ben Franklin, the first Postmaster General, created.

The Post Office was the first and only communications system for an early day America. The postmaster and the letter carrier were a Congressman's most reliable contact with the home folks.

Although these facts have all but disappeared, time honored ways of thinking die hard.

Just enough of the old time pork barreling remains to convince most Congressman in both parties they might go the way of all flesh if the Department was put on a professional basis.

Another source of opposition is the myriad unions among the postal employees who feel it is easier to pressure the average Congressman than it would a manager in a federal postal corporation.

The Department gets the blame for unsound practices forced upon it by its bosses in the legislative branch and until this insidious control is removed, the public will continue to pay more for deteriorating service.

Stanley Siegal, a professor in the U-M law school, who has a hobby of studying the Department, says this of today's conditions:

"The task is not to transform the Post Office into a model of American enterprise, but simply to stave off rigor mortis."

The Midway Summit

Previous summit meetings on Vietnam scored high in showmanship and little else. Beyond expressions of solidarity, about all they produced were higher commitments of American combat forces.

Accordingly, the forthcoming meeting on Midway between President Nixon and President Thieu of South Vietnam inspires no great wave of optimism. GIs still are locked in bloody combat.

Barring a sudden peace, they will continue to be so engaged well into next year before South Vietnamese troops are supposed to be ready to take over the

action. That, too, has been heard before.

Since neither side appears to be entertaining much hope of attaining a military victory, the principal obstacle to a negotiated peace continues to be Hanoi's demand for a coalition government in Saigon.

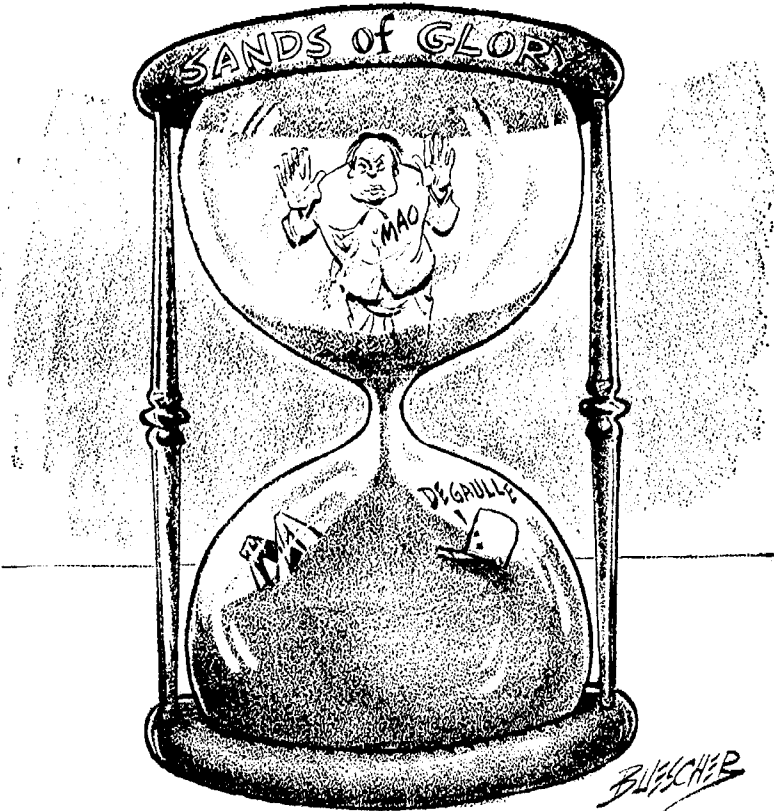
President Thieu obviously fears and with reason the communist political cadres trained by Hanoi and the National Liberation Front. Agreement to the NLF's demand for a coalition commission to run the country during preparations for general election would, in his judgment, be tantamount to conceding a political victory to the enemy.

Apparently that is the nub of Thieu's desire for a meeting with President Nixon. While Nixon has reiterated that the U.S. would "not abandon the South Vietnamese people," his recent peace program opens the door wider to the possibility of a coalition than has any previous American proposal.

The purpose of the Midway meeting will be to sustain the Thieu government while continuing to encourage Hanoi and the NLF to negotiate a political settlement.

Biologists estimate that there are 25,000 species of fish.

It's Later Than You Think!



GLANCING BACKWARDS

TO CONTINUE

BEECH CHARGE

—1 Year Ago—

St. Joseph will continue to charge out-of-town residents \$1 for parking autos in Lions, Tiscornia and Riverview parks Saturdays, Sundays and holidays from Memorial day to Labor day. Benton Harbor has rescinded parking fees at Jean Klock park throwing the gates open to all at no charge.

St. Joseph residents can pick up park passes starting Memorial day. Robert Nagle, superintendent of parks, announced.

STEVENSVILLE DOG

IS 'BEST HOUND'

—10 Years Ago—

"Oursler's Zonzo" of Mel-Ann Acres Bassets, Jericho road, Stevensville, was judged Best Hound in show Sunday at the Steel City Kennel club Puppy Match in Gary. The seven-month-old female Basset hound, sire Hoosier's Zealous Zipper, Dam, Eylanders Naughty Lady, won her class, Best of Breed and went on to take the hound group.

Mel-Ann Acres is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Mel Thain. Their 5-year-old son Pete trained, groomed and handled Zonzo. In seven shows Pete has won three first, three seconds, a Best of Breed and a Best of Hounds as well as a fourth place in junior handling.

—25 Years Ago—

An armada of up to 1,000 American Liberators and Flying Fortresses smashed railroad

targets at four German towns and aircraft plants in two French cities today in a powerful renewal of the Allied pre-invasion aerial battering of Hitler's Europe. The German centers of Karlsruhe, Mannheim, Ludwigshafen, and Saarbrücken, and aircraft plants at the French cities of Metz and Strasbourg were pounded by the giant forces.

Britain-based heavy craft were grounded yesterday because of weather conditions, but the Allies kept the day-night assault thundering with attacks on Europe by lighter craft from Britain and with Italy-based four-engined bombers striking southern France rail centers.

18th annual Pioneers' Day celebration to be observed jointly with Memorial Day on May 30.

T O B E O R A T O R

—45 Years Ago—

Hon. Loomis K. Preston of this city is to be the Memorial Day orator at exercises to be held in Lawton.

SELLS CHEVROLETS

—55 Years Ago—

The Goodell and Kolberg auto agency here has sold two Chevrolet cars to Mark Shearer of Royall township and Julius Scherner of the Lake Shore drive.

BATTERED FLAG

—75 Years Ago—

The flag over the Hotel Whitcomb still floats but its comb is nearly wiped out by the young winds of late.

THE

FAMILY LAWYER



'Kissing Cousins'

May relatives marry each other? A quaint clue to the law's attitude may be found in an old Latin phrase, "jus osculi," which means "the right to kiss." If the two relatives do have a right to kiss, like "kissing cousins," then they do not have a right to marry.

In more specific terms, marriage is usually forbidden between relatives closer than first cousins. As for marriage between first cousins, the states split fairly even on that question.

LEGAL CONSEQUENCES

Occasionally, as in the famous story of Oedipus, the two parties marry without realizing their close relationship. But in the typical case, they go ahead in full awareness of the facts. Accordingly, neither one of them is likely to make any complaint to the authorities.

Nonetheless, there may still be serious legal consequences. Take this case:

Two first cousins were wed, in a state where this was forbidden, and lived together for several years. When the husband was killed in a job accident, the wife applied for workmen's compensation as his widow.

But in a court test, her claim was denied because they had never really been married in the eyes of the law. The court said the parties could not make valid what the law made invalid.

STRICT VIEW

In another case, an uncle married his niece. Later, the uncle decided to seek an annulment on grounds of their kinship. Even though the niece pointed out that he himself had agreed to the marriage, the court granted him the annulment he wanted. Again, the court said such a marriage is simply null and void.

In most states and in most situations, courts continue to take this strict view of the matter. In part this reflects ancient religious restrictions, going back to the biblical Book of Leviticus. In part it reflects the fear that the offspring of closely-related parents are more likely to be defective. As the poet Byron once put it:

"Marrying their cousins—nay, their aunts, and nieces, Which always spoils the breed, if it increases."

Factographs

Foolscap is a writing paper, usually folded.

Turku, Finland's second largest city, is also its oldest.

DR. COLEMAN

..And Speaking

Of Your Health

There are many medical and surgical conditions that defy exact diagnosis and, unless the condition is definitely established, treatment cannot be sound. More and more of the modern techniques of examination of the inside of the abdomen with special dyes and radioactive substances can outline the stomach, the gall bladder, the kidneys, and the intestines. Special scanning devices are used by X-ray to study the liver, the spleen, and the contents of the pelvis.



Dr. Coleman

Even with these new and remarkable methods, disorders within the abdomen still remain a mystery. Physicians and surgeons sometimes suggest an exploratory operation or laparotomy to confirm the diagnosis. At first, it may seem to a patient an extreme or dangerous way to approach a problem. With better understanding, patients learn that an exploratory operation may often be the safest and most definite way to establish the basis for hidden diseases with strange, unexplained symptoms.

With the special skills of the surgeon and the expert training of the anesthesiologist, the procedure has many advantages and in most instances can pinpoint a definite cause and even cure the underlying condition.

An exploratory operation is done only after consultation between the physician and surgeon who carefully evaluate all its advantages and safety.

Low back pain seems to describe a very definite condition but, in reality, is a very complex and diffuse disorder that has many divisions and subdivisions.

Besides injuries caused by lifting heavy weights, too strenuous exercise, and unusual change of posture, low back

pain may be caused by birth abnormalities, arthritis, bone disease, and circulatory disorders. One must not overlook psychological causes of low back pain.

Too often, people with low back pain become their own diagnostician. They buy the usual supporting belts, change their mattresses to firmer ones, and carry their bed board with them wherever they go. I never did quite understand why low back pain is ever used as a "social distinction" when, in reality, it is really so commonplace. All of these methods of self-treatment have some advantage, but, in many instances, keep the victim from seeking the advice of a physician to find the exact cause.

The osteopathic physician is trained in the theory that the structure of the body and its changes are responsible for many specific illnesses. Manipulation is used as a corrective technique by him. Many of these osteopathic doctors are highly trained and know the value of their specialty and also its limitations. This concept of knowing accomplishments and limitations holds true for every phase of medicine. There is one specific danger that must be pointed out and that is that manipulation by a chiropractor who practices with remarkably little training or knowledge of general medicine can delay finding out the exact cause for low back pain. X-ray studies and neurological tests almost always can establish the exact reason for back pain and the proper form of treatment can be started.

SPEAKING OF YOUR HEALTH: Start sun tanning slowly. Avoid the unpleasantness of a severe burn.

Dr. Coleman welcomes letters from readers, and, while he cannot undertake to answer each one, he will use questions in his column whenever possible and when they are of general interest. Address your letters to Dr. Coleman in care of this newspaper.

JAY BECKER

Contract Bridge

South dealer.
North-South vulnerable.

NORTH
♦ 9 4
♥ K J 2
♦ K Q J 10 3
♠ 10 7 5

WEST
♦ K 7 2
♥ 8 7 5 4 3
♦ 8 5 4
♠ 6 3

EAST
♦ 6 3
♥ A Q 9
♦ 7 6
♠ K Q J 9 4 2

SOUTH
♦ A Q J 10 8 5
♥ 10 6
♦ A 9 2
♠ A 8

The bidding:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♦ 3 ♣

Opening lead — six of clubs.

It is generally poor policy to falsecard on defense because there is a much better chance of fooling partner than declarer. First-rate defense is difficult enough under normal circumstances, without adding to it the hazard of deceiving partner with a falsecard.

Nevertheless, there are hands where it is necessary to deliberately fool partner in order to accomplish the best result. Here is a case.

South is in four spades and West leads a club in response to East's overcall. Declarer follows low from dummy and

East's technically correct play would ordinarily be the nine. This is consistent with the well-established convention that a defender plays the lowest of equal cards when his partner leads a low card to him.

However, in this deal East should play the king instead of the nine! It is true that when South takes the king with the ace West will conclude that declarer started with the A-Q, but that is exactly the impression East wants to create.

West will think that East cannot have the K-Q or he would have played the queen, and he will therefore credit declarer with the A-Q.

South enters dummy at trick two with a diamond, leads the nine of spades, and takes a finesse, losing to the king.

East's falsecard at trick one now proves effective when West, under the impression that declarer started with the A-Q of clubs, does not lead another club but shifts to a heart instead. This permits East to score two hearts and a club to put South down one.

Note that if East makes the normal play of the nine of clubs at trick one, West might lead another club at trick four, in which case South would make the contract. East deliberately fools partner in order to steer the defense in the right direction.

BENNET CERF

Try And Stop Me

Willie, Junior, entered the house snivelling that his mother just had run over his bike while backing out of the garage.

"Serves you right, boy," commented his unfeeling father. "I've told you a hundred times not to leave that bike of yours on the porch!"

Castro has eliminated a lot of old fixtures from Cuban life, but TV watchers there still include a goodly quota of cornballs. What do you think is one of the most popular features on Havana TV? Good old Lawrence Welk, that's what. And how do you think the Cubans get the Welk programs? They hijack them! Next time you board a Miami-bound plane, beware of a little man carrying a can of film and humming "Shine On, Harvest Moon!"

What type of human does a dog hate most? Remind yourself of all the jokes you've heard in this category. Mailmen win handsily, through a good score has been rung up by butlers, gardeners, irascible home owners, milkmen, and policemen. Bearing these statistics in mind, an ingenious Rochester pet-food expert has introduced a line of "People Crackers." The biscuits being shaped like the proven hates of



the pooches. The biscuits being shaped like the proven hates of the pooches. The biscuits modeled on mailmen, predictably, seem to have the biggest canine appeal. At 29 cents a box, they're selling like — well, hot biscuits.

Factographs

The paper single-service container for milk was patented in 1906.

A tree nursery is a place for raising trees to be used elsewhere in landscaping and forestry.

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LAKE SHORE, ST. JOE EYE EROSION CONTROL

BH Land Sale Up For Hearing

Old Market Property Is Choice Site

Benton Harbor city commission last night voted to hold a public hearing June 16 on sale of the old fruit market property for development as a shopping center.

In other business, the commission voted approval of three leases on homes for relocation of large families displaced by urban renewal; heard a report that work is progressing on a house owned by Commissioner Rex Sheeley at 170 Kline avenue, and voted to sell 11 lots at the end of Stevens street to John Yerington Realty Co.

A partnership proposes to

develop 32 acres of the old market and adjoining land into a shopping center. The principals — Thomas De Rosa and Robert Small, Benton Harbor; Ralph Birnbaum, Stanford, Conn., and Jack Shenkman — recently changed their structure from the First Riverview Corp. to a partnership.

A hearing on any objections from the public is required before the land can be sold to the developers. Price of the land is \$497,000. The climatized shopping center will cost an estimated \$6.5 million.

REPORT ON REPAIRS

Harold Hansen, president of the West Central Neighborhood Organization, inquired on the progress of the house on Kline where repairs have been ordered by the building inspector. City Manager Don Stewart replied work is under way and if there is not compliance it will be turned over to the city attorney for prosecution "the same as anybody else." Commissioner Sheeley, owner of the house, was not present at the meeting.

The city commission gave an OK for the housing commission to lease these houses: 194 Bellview street, five bedrooms, owner Ben Hurst, \$165 a month; 635 Baird street, four bedrooms, owner David and Mabel Davis, \$145 a month; 653 Pavone street, owners, Edward and Constance Gifford, \$150 a month.

'WAITING FOR YEAR'

Mayor Wilbert Smith described the leases as a starter, something "we have been waiting on for a year." Four vacancies on the housing commission were filled by city commissioners last January. Yerington will pay \$2,000 for the lots on Stevens street, about an acre, which Stewart described as four feet under water. He said the property will be used as a disposal area for an asphalt plant.

Stewart said he could find no record of error by the water department in a complaint by Mrs. Caroline Byers over a water bill at a house she owns. Commissioner Ralph Lhotka said he had not received a written list of the allegations made by Mrs. Byers last week about the city housing inspection system, streets near St. John's church and the West Central Neighborhood organization.

NOTICE WAIVED

The commission voted to waive a 90-day notice requirement so Benton township can amend its water rate ordinance and add a special surcharge for any customers outside the township.

Louis Joseph of the Third Ward Improvement club said that weeds are growing where grass was supposed to have been planted after a pipe line was installed in Hall park. Stewart said the stretch will be sodded.

Mayor Smith reported on his one-day reign as visiting mayor of Highland Park. He was presented a cake with a picture of himself painted with confetti.

Young BH Principal Quits Post



ROBIN CAMPBELL

Resignation of Robin Campbell as principal of Calvin Britain school, Benton Harbor, was announced today by Robert Payne, assistant superintendent for personnel.

Campbell, principal of Calvin Britain for three years, asked to be reassigned to a classroom teaching position, Payne said. Campbell formerly was superintendent at Boynton school and had taught and coached basketball at Lakeshore and Lawrence. He is a native of Bangor. Payne said loss of a young administrator like Campbell from the administrative staff will be hard to fill.

Escapee Captured

Benton Harbor police were notified this week that James Pershing (Butch) Davis, 21, an escapee from the farm section of Southern Michigan prison in Jackson has been captured by Ohio authorities.

Davis, a former resident of Benton Harbor, walked away from the farm Jan. 20, and was arrested May 10 by the Lucas county authorities, Toledo, Ohio. He was returned to the prison in Michigan.

Davis was sentenced to prison for five to 10 years May 13, 1968, on a jury conviction for a burglary of a Benton Harbor laundry.

\$257,000 PROJECT

Hearing On Drain

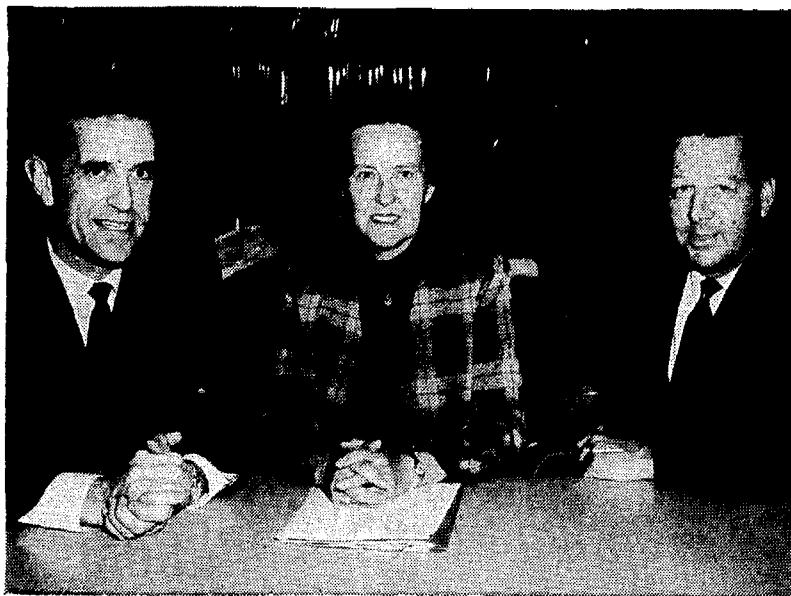
In St. Joe Township

A Berrien drain commission board of determination will meet at 7 tonight in St. Joseph township fire station to hear public comments and determine the necessity of extending Abraham drain in the township at an estimated cost of \$257,000.

Drain Commissioner Hazen Harner said some 150 area residents have been notified of the meeting. Sought by St. Joseph township, the new Abraham drain would replace or supplement a smaller, older drain by installing mostly 60-inch underground pipe for some 3,310 feet parallel to Cleveland avenue.

It would start on Hawthorne avenue 310 feet west of Cleveland, cross under a C&O railroad track, and run south on the west side of Cleveland to Hickory creek. The existing nearby Abraham drain ranges from 15 to 24-inch pipe, Harner said.

Harner said tentatively the city and township of St. Joseph and Berrien county road commission would share in the cost.



LAKE SHORE ADMINISTRATORS: Miss Gloria Vanderbeck, head of the Benton Harbor high school mathematics department, was hired last night as curriculum and reimbursable programs coordinator for the Lakeshore school district. Flanking Miss Vanderbeck are Lionel Stacey (left) who will assume duties in July as Lakeshore school superintendent; and William Galbreath, who last night received two-year contract as assistant superintendent. (Staff photo)

Ace BH Math Teacher Hired By Lakeshore

To Serve As Coordinator

Miss Gloria Vanderbeck, head of the Benton Harbor high school mathematics department and regarded as one of the finest and most admired teachers in the system, was hired last night by the Lakeshore school district.

Miss Vanderbeck next year will serve Lakeshore as curriculum coordinator and federally-reimbursed programs coordinator.

Lakeshore board of education members unanimously approved a one-year contract for Miss Vanderbeck at a salary of \$14,000, based on a 45-week work year. Her annual salary in the Benton Harbor district is \$11,700, said Robert Payne, district personnel head.

Board members also unanimously

approved a two-year contract for William F. Galbreath, who will serve as assistant superintendent. Galbreath's salary for the 1969-70 school year was set at \$17,000. He formerly was paid \$14,750 a year as assistant superintendent, but was moved up to \$17,750 last December when he was made acting superintendent.

Lionel Stacey, who will assume duties as superintendent in July, said last night that he is delighted to hire a person of Miss Vanderbeck's caliber and background.

SERVED BH 17 YEARS

Miss Vanderbeck has served for 17 years in the Benton Harbor school district, including the last five years as head of the high school mathematics department. Several Lakeshore teachers present commented that the Benton Harbor high mathematics department has become one of the strongest areas of curricula in the district.

Although never accorded the formal position by the Benton Harbor district, Miss Vanderbeck said she has been doing a great deal of curriculum coordinating in the high school.

Miss Vanderbeck also recently introduced a computer programming course in the high school, backed by material donations from Whirlpool Corp. and Bendix Corp. hydraulics division at Lakeshore.

A native of Benton Harbor and a 1944 graduate of Benton Harbor high school, Miss Vanderbeck over the years has earned a reputation as an ace golfer. And now, she said she's almost ready to obtain a pilot's license.

SHE WAS FIRST

Miss Vanderbeck said she was the first student to enroll in the former Benton Harbor junior college, the predecessor of Lake Michigan college.

"It was in 1946 and I was the first student to enroll, being at the head of the line at 8 a.m.," Miss Vanderbeck also holds a

bachelor's degree from Western Michigan university and a master's degree from the University of Illinois.

From 1961 to about 1964, Miss Vanderbeck also taught some 600 teachers under a Michigan State university extension program. She said she has done extensive work in curriculum coordinating and has written a book on the subject.

In other matters last night, the board voted to advertise for bids to alter Stevensville elementary - east building and scheduled a special meeting for 8 p.m. Monday, June 16, in the high school library to open the bids. Planned are partitions to create six classrooms from several large rooms. The cost is estimated at \$15,000 to \$17,000, said Galbreath, adding that

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Assailant Of Woman Runs Away

An assailant who struck a woman on the head fled Monday when observed by a passing motorist, Benton Harbor police reported.

The victim, Helen Talbert, 53, of 871 East Main street, was treated by a physician for a cut on the head, received from a blow from a flashlight.

Eddie Stokes, 24, of 619 Highland avenue, told police he was driving on East Main street, near Nowlen street when he saw a man hit her from behind with a flashlight.

The man fled when he observed the approaching car. Stokes described the assailant as a Negro standing approximately six feet tall, and wearing a three-quarter length gray-blue coat.

Smoke Catcher, Boat Landing Win Praise

Smoke abatement by Michigan Standard Alloys and a gem of a boat landing on the St. Joseph river were praised last night by Benton Harbor City Commissioner John Stancik.

Stancik said an Indiana sportsman told him the Benton Harbor boat landing on Riverview drive is one of the best in the Midwest. It's also the only completely free public landing on the St. Joseph river between Lake Michigan and Berrien Springs.

Michigan Standard Alloys recently installed \$300,000 worth of smoke abatement equipment in its plant on Arthur Mendel road off Paw Paw avenue. Stancik said he hopes others would follow the example.

City Gets Word State Is At Work

Art Lovers Also Hear Good News At Council Meet

St. Joseph's Art Association and lake front homeowners fighting the eroding bluff received good news last night from St. Joseph city officials.

The city commission agreed to let the Art association work out plans with city manager Leland Hill for using a city-owned building on Lake boulevard for an art center. The building is known as the Spanish American War Memorial and has belonged to the city since 1936.

Lake front owners were informed that two key officials of the state highway department said Monday that the department was concerned with the erosion problem and were investigating ways to solve it.

Hill told the commission that Henrick E. Stafseth, director of the department, and Wallace D. Nunn, vice-chairman of the highway commission, made a special trip Monday to St. Joseph. They spent several hours here going over the problem, Hill said.

In other action, the commission approved the 1969-70 contract for maintaining state highways in the city for \$26,525 from the highways department; delayed demolition of a house at 494 Upton drive because of improper notification to the owner; and order a building at 1009 Market street torn down.

TRAFFIC CONTROLS

Commissioners Franklin Smith and Richard Globensky requested the manager check into the possibility of increasing traffic controls for pedestrians at two intersections at Main street.

Smith said a light was needed at Main and Ship streets because of increased traffic generated by Holly's Landing. Globensky asked that larger walk lights and larger walkways be installed at Main and Port. He said senior citizens were having problems in crossing at the intersection.

Donald Walton, president of the Art association, said the group planned on fixing the Lake boulevard building up for art displays and other civic uses. The 75-foot long upstairs room, he said, would be converted into a gallery.

EARLIER AGREEMENT

City attorney Arthur G. Preston Jr. said the city could not offer the association a long-term agreement on the building because of terms of the deed giving it to the city.

A small veteran's group which now uses the building for meetings was to be informed it was not being evicted.

The two-story structure, built about 1914, was decided to the city by the builders who served in the Spanish American War. It is to revert to ownership of the federal government if not used by the city for public purposes.

In reporting of the tour by the state highway officials, Hill said the men went up and down the beach to get a first hand

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SIMCHA GENOSSAR

Jews Set Drive Goal In Berrien

Kickoff Slated Sunday Morning

Simcha Genossar will speak Sunday at the kick-off for the Berrien County kick-off for the Appeal drive. The meeting will start at 10:30 a.m., in the Statler Hilton Inn.

Genossar, born in Poland in 1912, joined the Haganah, the Zionist underground armed force, shortly after settling in Israel in 1935. He participated in Israel's 1947-48 War of Independence, the 1956 Sinai Campaign and the 1967 Six Day War.

Currently midwest director of the Israel Aliyah Center in Chicago, Genossar has been deputy director of the information department of the Jewish agency in Jerusalem and emissary for the United Israel Appeal in Canada and Latin America.

The United Jewish Appeal is concerned with the health, educational and welfare needs of Jewish immigrants and refugees in Israel and some 30 other countries. With a national goal of \$85,000,000, the Berrien County Jewish Community council has set \$50,000 as its own goal.

Reservations can be made by calling Mrs. Jack Keller, 983-5808, not later than Wednesday.

BH Market Traffic Light Is Going On

The blinking yellow traffic signal at the Benton Harbor market on Territorial road east of Red Arrow highway switches to a full red-green signal today, according to Market Manager Kenneth Slater.

It will accustom drivers to watch for changing signals in advance of the start of the area strawberry season about June 1, he said. The signal remains a blinking yellow during the off-season.

Chamber Asks Funds For Study

Engineers Will Seek To Solve Beach Dilemma

Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce leaders last night mapped a \$10,000 to \$15,000 fund raising campaign to start an engineering firm to work as soon as possible on an erosion study.

President James Small said solicitation cards would be prepared and teams of workers will canvass the area for funds to finance the in-depth study of the erosion area extending along Lakeshore drive (Business Route 94). The Chamber met at the Snow Flake motel's conference room.

Gove Engineers of Kalamazoo have proposed to "collect all known data from all known sources which might relate directly or indirectly to the cause" of beach erosion.

"After the data is collected a complete analysis will be made to determine the best method by which this progressively deteriorating situation can be halted," President Robert H. Gove wrote to the Lakeshore Chamber officials.

INCLUDED IN STUDY

Prof. Ernest Braeter of the University of Michigan is scheduled to participate in the study, Small said.

The Chamber officials will stress the inconvenience to area residents if Lakeshore drive is severed at the bend just south of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad trestle or at any point south of St. Joseph.

Suggested one member, in fact, that one way to impress area residents on the importance of halting the erosion would be to set up a toll booth at the point where the bluff has crumbled to within a few feet of the highway.

STACEY SPEAKS

Lionel Stacey, new superintendent of the Lakeshore school system, spoke at length on the problems and challenges facing the district. He urged a broad base of support from parents, business and industrial leaders and residents.

Arnold Nitz, a chamber vice president, reported approximately 6,500 persons attended the campout held at Youth Fair Grounds recently. He said there were approximately 1,500 individual camps set up. He served as campout chairman.

Small ran a tape recording of the address to Twin City Rotarians by John Knecht, Jr., executive assistant to State Highway Director Henrik E. Stafseth. Knecht traced highway construction plans in this area.

Damage Suit Names BH

A Chicagoan, Curtis Hatchett, filed suit claiming \$30,000 damages against the City of Benton Harbor for injuries he allegedly suffered July 15, 1966. He said he slipped in a hole at the city-owned Riverview boat landing and broke a leg.

His counsel is St. Joseph Atty. Tat Parish.

Vo-Tech, SJ Millage Discussed At Meeting

Counseling is the key to making the vocational-technical skill centers work. Tony Korican, of the Berrien Intermediate school district told a score of St. Joseph school district residents last night at Clarke school.

Korican was backed by St. Joseph School Supt. Richard Ziehm who said that the improved vocational and technical training facilities give the young student who would be inclined to quit school at 16 a goal to continue in school.

There will be two more St. Joseph district meetings on the county-wide proposition of establishing the vocational-technical program and the St. Joseph school district plan to extend extra operating millage for five years. The meeting at 8 p.m. tonight is at Lincoln school and the last one will be at Jefferson school Wednesday evening.

DROP-OUT RATE HIGH

Korican was questioned closely

last night at Clarke school on the way the vocational-technical program will actually work. He said of 20 freshmen in Berrien county, six will quit school before graduating, 10 will finish high school and four will graduate from college.

He estimated there are 6,000 juniors and seniors in county high schools of which 1,200 would take specific courses at the two skill centers to be established. The skill centers will offer many courses covering a wide range of occupations.

There will be occupational counseling, cooperative training, job placement and a follow-up service available to students. Korican said, Ziehm noted that counselors in the skill centers must have three years of actually working in the field in which they teach or serve as counselors.

ST. JOE CAN BENEFIT

St. Joseph which has a relatively low dropout rate can

benefit greatly from the vo-tech program, Ziehm said. While a large number of students take college preparatory courses he said, the school can anticipate those who need vocational training and can start them in that direction early enough so they want to continue in school.

Ziehm told the group to "write in big letters that this is a continuation of the 15-mill tax and not an increase." Ziehm said state election regulations require that the operating millage be listed as an increase.

The election polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. June 9 in Milton Junior High St. Joseph senior high, Brown and North Lincoln schools. Voting will be by machine.

St. Joseph schoolmen are urging residents "to vote 'yes' three times." The ballot is split with two proposals on the county issue and the other one on the St. Joseph operating millage question.

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ANOTHER POLICEMAN WAS READY TO SHOOT

Twelve Testify
At InquestJury Is Probing Death Of
Black Man At NilesBy JERRY KRIEGER
County-Farm Editor

BUCHANAN—A Niles police captain testified at an inquest here Monday into the fatal shooting of a former Green Beret sergeant that he was drawing his gun to fire at the victim when another officer, defending himself, shot and killed the Negro.

The inquest, being conducted by Fifth District Judge Paul Pollard in the Buchanan city commission chamber, was expected to continue through most of the day today.

12 PERSONS HEARD

A seven-member, all-white jury selected at random from the Fifth District jury list heard 12 witnesses testify Monday to events surrounding the death of Walter Ward, 26, a former Dowagiac high school athletic star and two-year veteran of Green Beret service in Vietnam. Ward died almost instantly about 10:30 p.m. May 19 on the parking lot of a Niles BurgerChef drive-in when he was hit three times by bullets from the gun of Niles Patrolman Jerry Johnston during a racial disorder.

Eye witnesses to the actual shooting uniformly agreed yesterday Ward fired two shots before Officer Johnston, who was handling a police dog in a crowd control effort, returned fire.

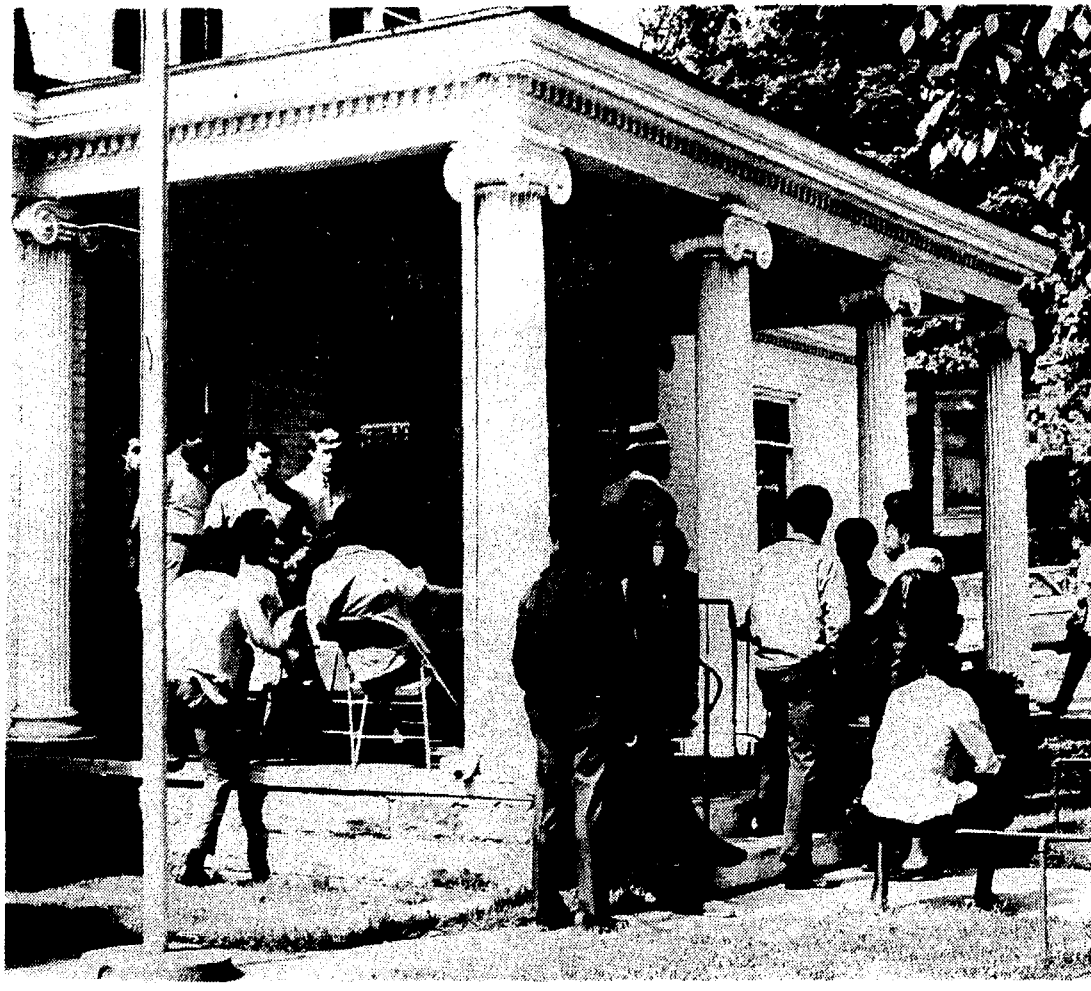
Four Negroes and one white witness, however, said it appeared to them Ward had fired at the dog in front of the officer and not at the officer, after the dog lunged at, and appeared to have bitten Ward. The dog, it was generally agreed, was in front of the officer, and was anywhere from immediately at his feet to two or three feet in front of him. They variously estimated the victim and the officer blazed away with only eight to 10 feet separating them.

Lindberg took his service revolver and went to the apartment. Neighbors said they heard four of five shots fired. A gun was found on Lindberg's body but his service revolver was missing.

An undetermined amount of money was taken.

Gobles Hires
Police Officer

GOBLES—Harley Wisely, 32, has been hired by the City of Gobles as a part-time police officer to assist police chief Glen Breed. Wisely is married to the former Joane Budzinski of Gobles. They have two children. Wisely assumed his duties on



WAITING WITNESSES: Some of the nearly 25 young persons who were at Niles drive-in restaurant when Walter L. Ward, Negro, former Green Beret sergeant was killed by white police officer May 19 wait on columned porch of Buchanan city

hall for turn to testify at inquest. Most were not called during first day of testimony and were ordered to return today. Shady porch was ideal spot yesterday on warm day. (Staff photo)

testified independently that the car window was closed until after the first shot was fired and that she couldn't hear Ward say anything. Miss Dunfin testified Ward was bending over when he fired and apparently was firing at the dog, not the officer.

Niles Det. Capt. Paul Winkquist, who was in charge of the police detachment sent to halt the disturbance at the drive-in, said he was approximately 10 feet from both Ward and Johnston when he saw Ward pull a gun from a holster, go into a firing crouch and shoot twice at the patrolman. He said he had not witnessed any effort by Johnston's dog to lunge at the victim.

"I started to pull my gun from the holster and was going to fire at Ward," Winkquist told the inquest jury, "but Johnston returned the fire and Ward fell. I then put my gun back in the holster."

Winkquist also told of two impact marks apparently caused by bullets fired by Ward. One was a small hole in

the asphalt of the parking lot two feet in front of where Officer Johnston was standing. The other mark was in mortar in the wall of the Drolet Drug store, immediately behind where Johnston had been when Ward fired.

BULLET HIS ARTERY

Dr. Salvatore Cilella, pathologist at Pawating hospital and assistant deputy medical examiner for Berrien county, said it appeared the first bullet to hit Ward was one that struck the chest and severed the aorta, the large artery that carries fresh blood away from the heart. Other wounds were in the right flank and in the right cheek. These wounds, although severe, produced little bleeding, leading to his conclusion that the slug that severed the aorta was the first to strike Ward.

Dr. Cilella said the slug in the chest coursed in a downward direction inside the body. He told the court that he conjectured Ward, a man who stood six feet, five inches tall, was bent forward in an "aggressive crouch" when hit by the first

slug from the officer's .357 Magnum pistol.

The medical examiner, who conducted an autopsy of the body the next morning, said in response to a question from Judge Pollard, that he found no signs of any dog bite marks on the slain young man's legs.

He added a sample of Ward's blood was sent to the state crime laboratory in Lansing to test for presence of alcohol or drugs or other foreign substance. No report has been received back yet, he told the court.

Excel Fox, a Niles Negro who said he observed the shooting from his parked car, testified he went to Patrolman Johnston several minutes after the shooting and asked him (Johnston) if he knew "what he did".

Fox quoted Johnston as replying: "I'm sorry it happened. I didn't want to, but I had to. He was shooting at me."

APPEARED IN PAIN

Fox told the court he had seen Johnston's dog lunge at Ward and that Ward had grabbed his leg, as if in pain. He added the dog also had bitten a Negro teenager, Sammy Williams, at the scene a short time earlier.

Fox said he recalls only one shot being fired by Ward and two by the police officer. He declared that Ward fired at the ground.

County prosecutor Ronald Taylor, who with Assistant Prosecutor Maurice Nelson, was assisting the court with the questioning, suggested that Fox, when he testified seeing the dog apparently bite Ward, had told a different story from sworn testimony taken last week in Niles.

Taylor read from a transcript of the earlier questioning that Fox had wondered why the dog hadn't tried to attack Ward.

Two Niles state police troopers, Jerry Dissler and Jack Hall, said they were parked about 100 yards from the

scene and both heard two shots fired in quick succession, followed by three shots also fired rapidly.

Trooper Hall, formerly of Benton Harbor, said the interval between the two sets of shots was 1½ to two seconds.

Trooper Dissler said when he arrived on the scene about a minute after the shooting, a crowd surrounded the fallen Ward.

"All citizens were saying 'He could have wounded him, he didn't have to kill him.'"

PULSE DISAPPEARED

Dissler added that Ward's pulse disappeared shortly after he arrived and tried to offer first aid.

Mickey Ivey, a young Niles Negro, said he was standing near Ward's car when he suddenly saw Ward shoot twice "at the ground," and saw Officer Johnston shoot three times. He testified he heard the officer say, "Well, he shot at me."

Dr. John Bruni, Niles physician, who was at Pawating hospital when the shooting victim was brought there said he pronounced him dead on arrival. He noted three bullet wounds in a gross examination.

Another 15 to 20 witnesses were subpoenaed to testify today, including Officer Johnston who was put on paid leave by the Niles police department in the wake of the shooting.

Schools Facing
Tax ReductionBerrien Allocation Board
Sets Tentative Split

Berrien county tax allocation board, divider of the 15-mill annual tax "pie" in Berrien, tentatively re-hashed millages Monday to give county government and several small units bigger shares of 1969 taxes at the expense of most county school districts and a few townships.

Under tentative millages announced Monday, county government would jump from a longtime share of 4.823 mills up to 4.925 mills; Intermediate school district would remain the same; all but one local school district could take a cut; and three townships would rise while others remain the same or lower.

Units appealing or objecting to the tentative millages may attend a hearing Wednesday, June 4, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. and 7:30 to 9 p.m. in the Intermediate school headquarters at Berrien Springs, according to Berrien County Clerk Forrest Kesterke, a non-voting member of the tax allocation board.

Later the board will set final millages.

A breakdown of figures released Monday compared to 1968 shows:

— Berrien county government, 4.925 mills (was 4.823).
— Intermediate school district, .177 mills (same).
— All townships 1 mill (same) except Baroda, .963 (was .967); Berrien, 1.00 (was .967); Hagar, .487 (was .482); Lake, .654 (was .724); and Oronoko, .541 (was .493).

— All local school districts 8.898 mills (was 9 mills) except Coloma, 9.898 (was 9); Niles, 9.898 (was 10); Watervliet, 9.989 (was 10); and Riverside, 9.411 (was 9.50). (Coloma district benefits from fact it crosses county lines and rate must be uniform.)

Tax allocation board chairman is Doyle Barkmeier, superintendent of the Intermediate district. Members are Paul Jedele of Niles; Atty. Lester Page of Benton Harbor; former Berrien supervisor chairman O. DeLos Proseus of Buchanan; Supervisor of Finance Chairman Lad Stacey of Berrien Springs; and Berrien Treasurer Wm. C. Heyn.

New Record
Expected

ST. IGNACE (AP) — Memorial Day traffic is expected to break all records for the holiday at the Mackinac Bridge, reports Bridge Authority Chairman Prentiss M. Brown. Brown said with the 60 per cent reduction in bridge fares, traffic so far this month has been running 25 per cent above a year ago. The fee for one car, its driver and passengers, is \$1.50.



DOYLE BARKMEIER
Allocation Chairman

Bus Brake
Failures
SurveyedMost Involved
Hydrovac Brakes

LANSING (AP) — A State Education Department survey shows 218 school districts have experienced at least 150 school bus brake failures so far this year.

There were 12 brake-related accidents reported in which 62 persons were injured. The survey went out to 525 school districts March 25 following widespread reports of school bus brake problems.

The 218 districts reporting said most of the failures involved hydrovac brakes, although there were a few air brake failures. Hydrovac brakes are vacuum-assisted hydraulic brakes, similar to power brakes on passenger cars.

The reports said there had been no indication of prior difficulty in 80 of the brake failures. There was a previous history of difficulty reported in 42 of the failures. Eleven of the brake failures came after deficient maintenance, the reports said.

ALL MAKES INVOLVED

Brake failures were reported on all makes of school buses.

The department said the survey was not intended to provide precise information, but rather to give a general indication of trends. The districts were not required to fill out and return the questionnaires.

Among suggestions for possible improvement sent in by the districts were the use of air brakes exclusively, low pressure warning systems, better factory inspection, better maintenance, use of higher grade materials in construction, installation of safety components in braking systems and larger brakes.

The department has scheduled a conference June 20 at Michigan State University on school bus specifications. Among the proposals to be discussed will be whether air brakes should be required on all school busses with a capacity for more than 24 pupils.

Lennon Claims
He's All Through
With Marijuana

MONTREAL (AP) — Beatle John Lennon, recently convicted of possessing marijuana, says he's through with the stuff because it "interferes with my mind."

"I don't regret anything I've done," he told newsmen. "It's just that I get my best high now on brown rice." Rice with the hulls on is brown.



NILES UNITY RALLY: Mayor Frank Frucci talks to Niles high school students on city hall lawn after about 400 students marched peacefully from high school to city hall Monday to demonstrate racial unity of the community. Mayor Frucci said march showed students could demonstrate peacefully without violence. March, twice postponed at request of police and community leaders, originally

planned in support of police who were criticized by black leaders for handling of a crowd incident May 19 in which a Dowagiac Negro was killed by policeman's bullets. Adults along sidewalks applauded as students marched by carrying banner which read "United We Stand; Divided We Fall." (Staff photo)

Grandson
Of Sawyer
Woman Dies

SAWYER—Word has been received here of the accidental drowning in Chicago of Thomas Jarosz, 8, the grandson of Mrs. Marie Boucek of Minnick road, Sawyer.

The victim was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Jarosz, former Lakeside residents who now reside in Chicago.

The family said their son drowned Friday in the sanitary and ship canal on Central avenue, Chicago, when he fell into the water while trying to retrieve his shoe. He reportedly could not swim. The body had not been recovered today.



'SHOT AT DOG': Mrs. Tillie Anderson (left) and Miss Connie Dunfin, both of Niles, testified at inquest they were sitting in car together with their children within 10 to 12 feet of shooting. Both said victim, Walter Ward, fired at dog on ground, although they differed as to whether car window was up or down and whether they heard Ward saying he was bitten by Officer Jerry Johnston's dog. (Staff photo)